Witars that ever dealt with human history, John von Herder, that it was to the gradual shading away of zones and alternation of seasons that the vigor and variety of manhind were attributable. Nothing good or great had aver come out of the eternal Sprag or midsummer of the tropies, nor from the thick-ribbed Winter of the poles. From the temperate zone with its healthful and stimuating succession of seasons have come civilization and progress. But for this graceful inclination of our mother earth toward the sun as she re-volves about that source of light and life—a dip which great Jupiter standing perpendicular on his plane isdains to make, and doubtless causes his children to suffer wofully in consequence-who can tell whether our places might not have been occupied by wandering savarea or speechless brutes? It is certainly no morif of Americans, we have the right to rejoice-but with tremat the more fortunate conditions in which our poitical orbit has been traced around that great central utely overwhelmed with bashfulness themselves or ir own advantages or achievements. Self-assertion is appreciate as to despise in national selfcontemplation. And certainly we are never likely opine for want of sharp criticism on this or the other ide the water; for if ever nation survived perpetual rivisection, especially during the hast half-dozen years, and grew fat and strong upon it, that nation is America. Not a quivering muscle, not a thrilling nerve, even in moments of tension and agony, but has been laid hare become the world and serencely lectured upon for the instruction of ignorant audiences by the learned doctors of privi-

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Febrew grandeur there was a siege—so men say—of a cty in Asia Minor, and it chanced that a blind man sang sune songs about it, if he was a man and was blind. Vonderful power of poetic genius! The leading personges in that war, their passions and sentiment, the nimute details of their costume, the color of their hair and eyes, the names of ther soldiers, and their ships, their habits of social life, the scenery surrounding them, we daily inditary and household events of that insignificant quarrol are almost as familiar in this remote hemisphere to-day as the siege of Vicksburg with all its heroic, neturesque, and passionate circumstance and its momentations. politicisque, and passionate. And out of the confusion of songe, monuments, and records there comes at last a glimner of chronology. There was once a cook in them, whether he was skillful or not in the kitchen is not known, but he was swift of foot. He ran a race at the Clympic games, his name was the first to be recorded as veter, in the archives of those festivais, and accordingly the subsequent history of Groece, with all her heroes, poets, sages, is registered from the Olympiad in which through won his race. Strangely enough, too, the date of this first registered Olympiad has a sacred but familiar seind in our ears. It was 776 before Christ. One thousand seven hundred and seventy-six years after Christ another epoch was established, from which this great Republic dates its records; a day on which equal rights were proclaimed as the heritage of mankind, a nobier era for the world than any that cooks or racers an ever likely to establish. At exactly the same period with Corabus—as chronologists have settled it among themselves—there was a certain she wolf in an Italian syamp with a pair of human foster children. And, as we all have read in the story books, the foster children founced a city which has had much influence for good and evil upon the cause of human progress. The orbit of civilization, so far as our perishing records chable us to time he had a such influence for good and evil upon the cause of human progress. The orbit of civilization, so far as our perishing records chable us to time he had a such as the majestic orb of day moves over them, and, as he advances still further through his storied and mysterious zodiac, we behold the shadows of evening as surely falling on the lands which he leaves behind him. Religion, poetry, sealpture, architecture, the magnificent drama, the subtle, lofty, almost divine philosophy of Greece—without the imperious and cruel mationalism, the all-surpassing military art, the colossal self-esteem, the magnificent drama, the subtle, lofty, almost divine philosophy of G see the first of the product of the second o

a series of Dr. Johnsons from his day to ours, all over Europe, to denounce patriots and republicans, especially when they are causing interruptions to trade. So close and electric chain unites a merica and Europe, so instantaneous are their action and retroaction that the American civil war, at least in Western Europe, became as much an affair of passionate party feeling as if it were raging on that side the Atlantic. "Lind no idea," said a very eminent statesment to John Bright on two different occasions, "how much inducence the example of the public was likely to be broken up." And yet strange to say, in spile off the breathless interest with which the result and the daily details were watched for, it would be difficult to exagerate the ignorance envrapping the general mind of Europe as to the merits and meaning of the conflict. In popular periodicals and lectures of to-day you may learn much of the bays, rivers, inlets, oceans, and continents of the planet Mars, and if inclined for a vacation excursion, and could you find a conveyance thirter, you might easily a saining 30.00 miles along one of its lurger's like a tour in that planet, starting from Huggm's Inlet assing 30.00 miles along one of its lurger's like and aries without ever losing sight of land. I have a conveyance thirter, you might easily a saining 30.00 miles along one of its lurger's like and aries without ever losing sight of land. I have a conveyance thirter, you might easily a saining 30.00 miles along one of its lurger's like and a larger with a sain of the larger with a sain of t a series of Dr. Johnsons from his day to ours, all over Europe, to denounce patriots and republicans, especially when they are causing interruptions to trade. So close an electric chain unites America and Europe, so instan-

AT CECEMBER 17, 1868.—TREPLE SHEET.

| The Second of the strings had to selve. In australs the lending three are the cross. However, the direct entire that the control of the strings of pied ever, freining that no other Government could have resisted such a shock as was dealt to our fabilitie. There is movements all over Europe, as I hope to have proved by prepunat examples. Through the long past there have been positical full-has for the indian time. Divine right, infallibility, charters to the prepie metcad of charters from the proper universal suffence condained with universal bayoneta: above all, the magnetican platitude that government always exists with full consent of the governed. The European emission, the forlow outcast. It may be of older evellations, finds already second pished here the revolution which he has "drusded but alwest upon" as the durkest of orthers. But that emigration, amounting to 1,20,000 Europeans every ten or twelve decempy parts, has been always in one direction and on a comperatively scale. Two centuries before the christian era many millions of men were occupied, as we have all read in the administrative was a second to the day. It is 1,300 milles in length. It is 1,500 miles in 1,500 miles in length. It is 1,500 miles in 1,500 miles in length. It is 1,500 miles in length. It is 1,500 miles in length. It is 1,500 miles in length. It is

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Verplanck arose and said that the Executive Committee had tendered to him the pleasing duty of presenting a resolution, as one of the oldest members, and certainly the oldest surviving member of the Society. He had had the honor of delivering the first historical address had the honor of delivering the first historical adarese over half a century age, and he had been followed in this annual privilege by a great number of illustrious names. Mr. Verplanck then gave reminiscences of the Society, and the distinguished gentlemen who had been prominently connected with the formation and growth of the Historical Society, and presented the following. Resolved, That the many of this Society by presented to Mr. Mothey for bis elequent and latiractive discarree delivered this evening, and that he is respected to finds a copy for publication.

[Applause.] Mr. William Culten Bryant then becorded the resolu

tion as follows:

REMARKS OF MR. BREART

I take pleasure in seconding the resolution which has just been effered. It was well that the eminent instortian of the Dutch Republe, who has made the annuals of its early days as interesting as those of Athens and Sparta, and who has indused into the narrative the generous glow of his own genius should appear before a community which was, in its origin, an offshoot from that renewment Republic. He has the strongest of titles to be listened to with attention by that community, and well has that title been recognized by you as is testfied by this immense assembly which has been brought together in apite of the tempest this evening. It was also fitting that my old friend of more than forty years, and who in 1816, when De Wit Clinton was its President, fifty years ago—an exact half of a century—delivered before this society one of the noblest discourses that ever was listened to in this country—japplanse)—a discourse which is still read with deep and profound delight—it was fitting that he should appear to more the thanks of the audience to the gentleman who has addressed you this evening. In moving this resolution Mr. Verplanck made some allusion to the great men who had honored this Society by addressing it on the occasions of its annual meetings. The very volume which contains the magnificent address to which I have referred, contains also addresses of Governeur Morris, one of the most eloquent men of his time; by Dr. Hosack, emment in the healing art; by the eminent Dr. Jarvis, and by Wheaton, the famed interpreter of the laws of nations. To that list of honors another has been added this evening, in the person of the gentleman who has addressed you suid because of flowerneur Morris, one of the most eloquent men of his time; by Dr. Hosack, emment in the healing art; by the eminent Dr. Jarvis, and by Wheaton, the famed interpreter of the laws of nations. To that list of honors another has been added this evening, in the person of the gentleman who has addressed you, and

THE WESTERN ARMY REUNION. CHICAGO, Dec. 16.-The Grand Banquet IS in progress this evening in the vast half of the Chamber of Commerce, with Lieux-Gen. Sherman as President. Gen. Grant, Gen. Thomas and many other distinguished officers are participating. The inite immense tables hear the devices of the Generals of the Armies of Virgiula, the Ohio, the Cumberland and Transsec, and of the Commander of the Guil. Squadrop, with many memorials of the late war.

After an hour or more had been exhausted in discussing the bill of fare, speeches followed. Gru, Sherman, the President began with a few automore devices and

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DESTRUCTION OF A TOWN IN GEORGIA. AUGUSTA, Dec. 16 .- The town of Elberton was burned yesterday. The town is the capital of Eibert Co., Ga., and is 73 miles north-west of Augusta. It consumed a fine Court Rouse, an acodemy, and several other public buildings.

STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS IN ALABAMA. STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS IN ALABAMA. 4
MONTGOMERY, Dec. 16.—A resolution to take, a recess until the with of January was voted down to-day.
Bills have passed both Houses opening all judgmosts granted by any courts in this State on debts contracted before the 25th of May, 1868. The bill allowing the statute of Limitations to run during the war has also become a law. The effect of this bill is to wipe out all debts before the war, or six years before the passage of the net.

DURIAL OF THE EXPRESS ROBBERS

CINCINNATI, Doe, 16.—The bodies of the Reno brothers, recently hanged in New-Albany, have been delivered to the triends, and taken to Seymour for interment, while that of Anderson, hanged at the same time, has been buried by the county authorities.

Toriotio, Dec. 15. Beno and Anderson, the express robbers, had a private conversation with the Governor while they were in fail here, at which iteno volunteered the remark that he was impliented in the robbery, but that Anderson was not, and that the latter was one of the going and was present at the inception of the plan which was afterward executed.

ATLANTA, Dec. 16.—The New Lra, a Republi-can new spaper, opposes further Congressional interfer-oree in the reconstruction of Georgie.

WASHEURNE AND THE CABINIT.

The Detemport (lowa) Gazette says: We have been permitted by an infuncto friend of Mr. Washburno's to see a private letter written by that gentleman as late as the 28th sit, and from this, as limitating the character and giving additional evidence of the patriotic purpose of one in whom public cosup now takes particular interest, we copy the following extract:

"So far as political position is concerned I am content with the one assigned me for the ainth time by a generous and confiding constituency. I know but little touching Cabinet appointments, and take no slock in all the newspaper talk assigning no to this or that position. The most I desire is to see four Genu's administration a success, and soo all the rights of all men visidented and protected; to see an isonest, economical, dignified adminiscess, and see all the rights of an men vision and see at the tested, to see an isomet, economical, dignified administration of the Government, bringing to the people peace, quier, happiness, and prosperity.

Very truly yours, &c., E. B. WASHBURNE."

C. H. Donglass, esq., of the New-York bur, died in Beloit, Wis, of quick consumption. He was formerly an editor of The American Late Register, but more recently had given his attention to the practice of the law in this city.

TO CORRESPONDENTS. J. P. Darley, and a hundred others.—We never undertake to decide bets. The figures you ask for have been printed in The Temune times without number.

A Constant Reader.—The New-York Eye and Extending a straight of the Constant Reader, which was a straight of the Constant Reader.—The New-York Eye and Extending a straight of the Secondary.

G. L. C.—We do not know on what occasion Mr. Beecher told the story you mention. Why do you not ask Mr. Beecher himself.

AN OLD LANDMARK.-The Morris Estate, located in the most desirable part of Westchester County (171st-st.), having been in the family for over 200 years, will be disposed of on the 22d ingt, at auction. MARRIED.

BRIGGS-BUCKNAM.-On Wednesiar overlyg, Dec. 15, at the Church of the Messah, by the flow. Dr. Ongood. Foward P. Briggs to Laura. A., desgiter of Cips. George Bucknam of this city.

BROWNING-BURDETT-On Wednesday, Dec. 16, at the North-Presbyterian Guards, by the flow. Themas Street, Sepural Mewwalan at Lucrois, Assaying of E. G. Ostrony. Re cards.

FISHER-ERKD-On Wednesday, the 16th incl., at 10 o'clock at the residence of the bride's parcola, by the Rev. M. Paller, Dasiel M. Fisher of New-York to Ruma L. Reed of Daries, Cons., second daughter of Sands Reed, esq. of Daries, Cons. No cards. GREEN—HOTT—In Brooklyn, on Tasedar erening, Dea, 15 D. Mosre, Jr., James Z. Green of Red Hook, Dutchess C Miss Helen Hoys, only daughter of the late James Hoys. NEWRLL.-LORD-on the 20th alt, At the Collinest Baptist by the Ker. Thomas Ness. Andrew, early son of A. H. Roser formally of Melbourne, to Frances Colgate, eldest daughters. Lord, esq. of Melbourne. Lord, esq. of Melbourne.

EEED-VFRGUSON-On Wednesday, Doc. 19, by the Rev. Dv. Mathews, Alexander R. Reed to Jennie W., youngast danglike-st James Ferguson, esq., all of this city.

EUDDIMAN-MARTIN-On Turesday, Dec. 15, 1863, at the residence of hiden Gouning, esq., South Ambor N. J. by the Rev. W. Wilder, assisted by the Rev. N. E. Baldwin, Win. H. Ruddiman, esq., of Philadelphia, to Miss Harriet A. Martin, grandaughter of the late, William Rowlands, esq., of London, Reg. No cards.

Lionion (Kog.) Three and Deliy Nows please cogy. All Notices of Marriages must be indorsed with hel DIED. BAMERIC—At Rec. on Tuesday, Dec. 15, Mary Barker.
The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the femeral of Christ Church, Kye, on Thursday, Dec. 17, at 1. ofciock, p. in. Transit lare corner of Treaty, seventh at, and Fourth-zer. (New Haren R. E.) at 11/2, in. Carriages will be in attendance at Eye dopol.
CAMPBELL.—On Wednesday, Dec. 16, James Campbell, printer, agod 37 years. 30 years. The funeral will(take place from his late residence, No. 256 East Thirty-second-st, on Friday, Dec. 18, at 10 o'clock a. m.

CARNER—On Tuesday, Dec. 15, Am cross S. Carner, agod 42 years.
The friends of the family are twitted to attend the funeral from his late residence, No. 57 East Eighty-fourth-st., on Tueraday, the 17th matat 1 o'clock.

residence. No. 37 East Eighty fourth at. on Thursday, the 17th mail of 1 o'clock.

DOUGHTY—At Newark, N. J., on Sunday, the 13th inst., Mrs. Eliza & Doughty, widow of the late Edward Doughty.

Fluceral on Thursday, the 17th inst., at 1 o'clock p. m. Carriages will attend at the Market-at. Sepot, on the arrival of the 11:40 and 11 o'clock trains.

GERARD—At the residence of her soo-inday. Charles C. Lewis, No. 124 West Forty seventh-at, on Wednesday, Dec. 18, Mary, reliet of William Gerard, eqs.,

Notice of funeral will be given in Priday apapers.

HENWOOD—On Sunday, the 18th inst., Edward Henwood, aged 31 years.

The funeral will take place from St. Pant's Episcopal Church, Morrisonia, this day (Wednesday, the 18th inst.), at 2 o'clock p. m.

MIX—At Orange, N. J., on Wednesday morning, Dec. 16, William Randelph, infant son of the Rev. E. S. W. Mix.

Paneral services at the residence of the parents, on Ridge-sh, on Thursday at 4 p. m.

SHAY—At Wilton, Westchester Co., on Wednesday, Dec. 16, William Shay, aged 59 years, a months and 9 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to stitude the funeral from his late residence, One-hundrid-and-thirty-eight-set, Wilton, on Sunday, the 2nth inst., at 112; p. m. Carriages will be in waiting at Harlesu Bridge at 12 w.

STARE—At New-Cannan, on Wednesday, Dec. 15, Mary A., wife of N. W. Sterred darkfur of the late B. Muritoria of Newson, H. I.

18th last, at 2 o'clock.

DAVIS—Sudden, at Greenpoint, an Monday evening, Dec. 14. Jonas P.
Davis, and 43 years.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral
from the residence of his father in the William Horton, feedard mass
Colypsels, on Thursday, the 17th inst., at 2 o'clock p. m.

ENOS—Suddenly, on Monday, Dec. 16, in Brooklyn, Dewitt C. Knos,
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(1941-ON-On Third Fay marning (Tuesday), the tom lare, and alHorton, in the 78th year of her age,
he relatives and friends are invited to attend her fanoral from Friends'
Meeting House, course Fifteentins, and Kutherford-place, on Fifth
Day (Thursday) morning at 10 o'clock.

VES-On Monday evening the 18th tust, after a Hagering Blucos, Mrs.
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Thursday, the I'th inst., at I o'clock p. m., from her late residence,
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TENTISS-At Brookirg, on Monday, Dec. 14, Jennie, daughter of the
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Ws. BUTLER, Secretary.

STEPHEN R. KNAPP, President. Thirtecuth District Union Republican Association.

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